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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98

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Pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant request the Examiner to make of record the documents listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 form in connection with examination of the above-identified patent application. As provided in §1.97(g), no representation is made or intended that a thorough art search was made. As provided in 37 C.F.R. §1.97(h), this Information Disclosure Statement does not constitute an admission of any kind, and specifically is not an admission that the documents listed on attached form PTO/SB08 are, or are considered to be, material to the patentability of the above-identified patent application, as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b). In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), Applicants are submitting copies of foreign patent documents.

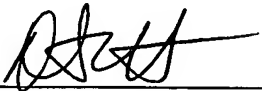
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This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no closer art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicant determines that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

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